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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re the Application of: **YAMAMOTO, Takashi et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1756**

Serial No.: **09/712,927**

Examiner: **Christopher Rodee**

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For: **COLOR IMAGE FORMATION METHOD**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**  
**GROUP ART UNIT 1756**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 24, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 13, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.